

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS.

The Senate held its longest sitting of the session, beginning at noon and concluding at 5:15 p. m. The entire time was consumed in debating a motion to refer the Cuban reciprocity bill to the Committee on Foreign Relations. The political line was sharply drawn in the discussion, the Republicans advocating such reference and the Democrats contending that the measure should go to the Committee on Finance. The motion prevailed without division. It was finally referred to the Foreign Relations Committee.

BUSINESS.

Yesterday's bank clearings were \$7,756,977; balances, \$104,052. Local discount rates were between 5 1/2 and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, Chicago, Cincinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 10c discount bid, par asked.

Wheat closed higher at \$1.05 1/2 May; \$1.05 1/2 May; \$1.05 1/2 May. Corn closed higher at 40c May; 42c No. 2 mixed. Oats closed at 37c bid May; 37c No. 2 mixed. Spot cotton was unchanged in the local market.

WASHINGTON.

Senator Newlands has introduced a joint resolution inviting Cuba to become a State of the United States.

HOUSE.

Strong opposition has developed in the House to an adjournment of the special session prior to the passage of the bill to make the Cuban treaty effective. Leaders of the House base their opposition to the adjournment on the ground that a special session having been convened by the President for a specific purpose, it would not be courteous to adjourn the session until action is had, and also contend that speedy legislation is imperative to accomplish the purpose for which Congress was called together.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

The Business Men's League will repeat the bid for the Republican National Convention next year.

R. S. Price of Chicago returned from Panama and tells of incidents connected with founding of new Republic.

Judge John A. Hockaday of Fulton, Mo., died in St. Louis at the Mullanphy Hospital.

The funeral of Alexander M. Averill took place at Immanuel Baptist Church.

Colonel J. F. Blake will deliver an address at the Odeon at the commemoration of the Manchester Martyrs.

The case against E. J. Arnold, charged with grand larceny, was continued until Monday.

Christian Nielsen hid in a folding bed to evade detection.

Certain members of the Cabanne Club favor introduction of a bar.

Damages suits for sums aggregating \$17,657.50 were filed against the Transit Company.

A St. Louis folk club has been organized to secure nomination of Circuit Attorney for Governor.

Fred Schrier identifies George Ryan as the lone ice-box robber.

The Board of Police Commissioners said to be contemplating changes in the detective force, according to Circuit Attorney.

Folk about the return of Chief Desmond from Mexico.

Several receptions were given for the members of the Executive Board, General Federation of Women's Clubs.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

Tom Horn, famous as a scout and Indian fighter, was hanged at Cheyenne, Wyo., for the murder of a boy, being carefully guarded to the last moment by deputies and militiamen who feared an attempt at rescue.

Peter Mortensen was shot to death in Utah for a murder of which he was first accused through a "revelation" to his victim's father-in-law.

The approach of the holidays tends to stimulate trade to some extent, though the commercial reviews say that depression factors are still to be reckoned with.

Estes C. Rathbun, formerly Director of Posts in Cuba, filed charges of a grave nature against General Leonard Wood before the Senate Committee which has Wood's advancement under consideration.

Among other bills introduced by Senator Cockrell were two to repay damages sustained by churches in the Civil War. He also petitions praying that Senator Smoot of Utah be unseated.

An appropriation to protect lands in St. Louis County against overflow of the Missouri River was presented the Senate by Senator Stone.

Judge Gary of Chicago, who tried the Haymarket anarchists, completed his fortieth year of service on the Chicago bench, a record without parallel in England or America.

Editor Rosewater of Omaha says that President Roosevelt, after giving the order for the removal of the United States District Attorney at Omaha, withdrew the order when his attention was called to the fact that it might be interpreted as an effort on the part of the administration to shield Senator Dietrich.

The end of the Chicago Street Railway strike is thought near, as both sides are now willing to arbitrate, and the strikers have accepted two propositions made by the company.

FOREIGN.

The American who started to cross the ocean in a small sailboat three months ago has arrived at Gibraltar.

After a credible sail about Paris the Lebaduy alrhip struck a tree in descending and collapsed. The occupants had a narrow escape.

Former Governor F. M. Drake of Iowa dies at Centerville, Ia.

The old Masonic Temple at Louisville is burned with losses aggregating a quarter of a million dollars. Colonel Hopkins of St. Louis was a heavy loser by the destruction of his theater.

Former Governor Flier of Illinois has withdrawn from the race for the gubernatorial nomination on the Republican ticket.

Senator Briesta, tutor to King Alfonso, was wounded by a shot from an unknown man, who fired three at him point blank. A private guard is said to have been the cause.

SPORTING.

Washington ties up with Cincinnati at League Park.

Four boxing bouts are carded for the Missouri Athletic Club to-night.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

New York, Nov. 20.—Arrived: Laurentian from Glasgow.

Nantucket, Lightship, Nov. 20.—The steamer Lucania from Liverpool was five-four miles east at 9:40 a. m. to-day.

New York, Nov. 20.—Sailed: Cymric, Liverpool.

Kinsale, Nov. 20.—Arrived: Carthagen, Philadelphia, via St. Johns.

Queensdown, Nov. 20.—Arrived: Columbus, Boston, for Liverpool (and proceeded).

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Ptneue, Nov. 19.—Sailed: Aurania from Venice, New York.

Havre, Nov. 18.—Arrived: La Gascogne, New York.

Genoa, Nov. 20.—Sailed: Liguria, New York.

Moville, Nov. 20.—Sailed: Astoria from Glasgow, New York.

Liverpool, Nov. 20.—Sailed: Dominion, Halifax.

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HAS NO DESIRE TO PROTECT DIETRICH.

President Withdraws Order Removing U. S. District Attorney Summers at Omaha.

IT MIGHT BE MISINTERPRETED.

Roosevelt Decides Dismissal Might Be Constructed as an Effort on Part of Administration to Shield Senator.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 20.—Edward Rosewater said today that last Saturday, in his presence, President Roosevelt directed that a note be written to Attorney General Knox, relieving W. S. Summers from duty as United States District Attorney at Omaha.

The President, he said, subsequently decided not to let Summers out immediately, because it was suggested to him by Mr. Knox that the public might interpret the District Attorney's removal as a desire on the part of the administration to protect and shield Senator Dietrich.

The Lincoln Journal, in an editorial this morning, raises the question whether Senator Dietrich might not escape trial under the indictment returned against him on the plea that at the time the offenses with which he is charged were alleged to have been committed he had not taken the oath of office as United States Senator; whether, as a private citizen, he would be amenable to any Federal law. It is not believed by his friends here, however, that Dietrich would try to avoid trial on this plea.

MEAT INSPECTOR

IS ARRESTED.

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1902 record, it is said, does not account for the discrepancy.

The difference in the months of October shows up in greater contrast:

Meat	1902	1903
Meat	1,672	1,672
Groceries	1,528	1,528
Total	3,200	3,200

The inmates were 621 for 1902, as against 35 for 1903.

At the Insane Asylum big differences are shown since the advent of the present administration.

The month of October alone will suffice to show the manner in which conditions have been improved:

INSANE ASYLUM.

Meat	1902	1903
Meat	1,580	1,580
Groceries	1,521	1,521
Total	3,101	3,101

The difference of 430 more on the year 1902 was based on a 5-per-cent difference in the number of inmates. The asylum accommodated 621 in October, 1902, and 355 inmates in October, 1903.

Doctor Francis, after having gone over the meat bills, took an average, and showed that the per capita consumption of meat at the city's institutions under the old regime was twenty-three pounds a month.

In view of the fact that the greater majority of the city's charges are sick, this amount of meat is said to show abnormal extravagance on the part of those upon whom devolved the work of ordering.

Doctor Francis further states that meat and groceries must have been carried away from the institutions.

Several receptions for woman's club delegates.

Federation Executive Board Members Entertained at Private Homes and Wednesday Club.

The social side of the annual meeting of the Executive Board of the General Federation of Women's Clubs doesn't lack in interest or activity. Last night the visitors were the guests at dinner of Mrs. G. T. Meyers of No. 3911 Delmar.

The sessions of the Executive Board at the Planters are held each morning and are open only to members of the board.

The business, the members declare, is of a nature not interesting to the public at this time, but Mrs. D. T. S. Dennison, the president, promises that an outline of the programme for the biennial meeting to be held in St. Louis next May probably will be given out before the Executive Board adjourns, next Monday or Tuesday.

Numerous dinners and receptions are being planned for the visitors by St. Louis club women, among these being a reception this afternoon from 3 to 5 at the residence of Mrs. Philip N. Moore, at No. 3125 Lafayette avenue.

The reception given yesterday afternoon by the Wednesday Club to the president and members of the Executive Board of the General Federation of Women's Clubs was a large and entirely successful entertainment.

The hour women have been much entertained during their short stay, partaking of a social nature, and they pronounced this feature of the visit one of the most delightful in the series.

The Wednesday Club's suite in the Y. M. C. A. building never looked so gay and trim than at this affair, simple but effective decorations of green and white being placed about the room, and the festive party stretched far down the front reception room, with a glimpse of a pretty serving table bright with silver and glass, and trimmed in dainty white and green in the distance, formed a thoroughly pleasing picture.

Mrs. Washington E. Fischel, president of the Wednesday Club, was first in line, introducing Mrs. Dennis T. S. Dennison of New York, president of the general federation. Mrs. Philip N. Moore, first vice president, stood next, with Mrs. Robert J. Burdette of Los Angeles; then Mrs. Treadway and Mrs. Emma A. Fox of Detroit; Mrs. John Green and Mrs. William T. Coak of Rapid City, S. D.; and the remaining officers of the club and members of the Executive Board, who are: Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Charleston, S. C.; Mrs. Emma M. Van Vechten, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Mrs. George H. Noyes, Milwaukee; Mrs. John M. Carter, Baltimore; Samuel H. Hays, Boise City, Idaho; James Humphreys, Junction City, Kas.; Anna D. West, Somerville, Mass.; and Lydia P. Williams, Minneapolis, Minn.

The guests numbered several hundred, including a generous representation of the Wednesday Club, besides officers from every federated women's club in the city and suburbs.

815-Texas and Return, Nov. 24-315. Cotton Belt Route, 999 Olive, Union Station.

Salesmen at a Banquet.

Sixty representatives of the National Cash Register Company, representing the Southwestern district, are holding their annual meeting at the Planters. Last night they were the guests of the company at a banquet at the Planters. The meeting will adjourn this afternoon.

Mrs. CHARLES WEINTZ.

Evansville, Ind., Nov. 20.—Mrs. Charles Weintz, 64 years old, died here to-day.

SEWER EXCAVATION WEAKENS WALL OF BUILDING ON LOCUST STREET.



—By a Republic Photographer.

Prompt use of supports prevented the fall of the north wall, which had been weakened by a sewer excavation in the alley.

A liberal use of props probably saved the west wall of the building occupied by the St. Louis News Company, Nos. 1008 and 1010 Locust street, from collapsing.

Props were placed against the wall Wednesday and were added to yesterday.

An excavation for a sewer in the alley which bounds the west side of the building weakened the foundation of the wall and the side of the building has bulged several inches out of plumb.

Not only is the alignment of the wall disturbed, but two cracks have appeared in the front wall near its junction with the west wall. One of these is just above the west window on the second floor. The other is above the corresponding window on the fourth floor.

The weakened wall has been temporarily braced with heavy beams, and while an inspector of the Street Department will be on duty at the building night and day until the wall has been permanently strengthened, there is comparatively little danger of a collapse.

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IS ARRESTED FOR HEAVY MURDER.

Youth Supposed to Be Fred Strube Caught at Hollis, Ill., Lodged in Pekin, Ill.

TALLIES WITH DESCRIPTION.

Prisoner Starts to Run When Sheriff Approaches, but Now Denies That He Is the Fugitive.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Pekin, Ill., Nov. 20.—A young man believed to be Fred Strube, alleged murderer of Alice Maud Henshaw of Topeka, Ill., was arrested by Sheriff Clay of Tazewell County to-night at 9 o'clock at Hollis, opposite Pekin, on the Peoria side of the Illinois River. The prisoner tallies with the description closely and is clean-shaven, confirming the report that Strube was at the Peoria Union Station this morning and was shaved there. The suspect was found on a T. & P. & W. freight train. The crew held the train and telephoned to the Sheriff, who went to Hollis.

The young man started to run to the woods when the Sheriff approached, but he was easily captured.

At the Pekin jail he said his name was Falkner. If he is not Strube he is his double.

Two hundred persons are now in front of the jail in idle curiosity. Sheriff Clay says he does not expect any trouble. The crowd does not mean any harm, the Sheriff says, but simply wants to know who the prisoner is.

"I have 100 Winchester left over from the mine riot of several years ago," said

he, "and the Sheriff of Tazewell is not afraid of mobs."

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